

**Table 1. Height in inches for males 20 years and over, number of examined persons, standard error of the mean, and selected percentiles, by ethnicity/race, age : United States, 1988-1994**

| Race-ethnicity and age                 | Number of examined persons | Mean | Standard error of the mean | Percentile |       |       |      |      |      |       |       |       |
|--|----------------------------|------|----------------------------|------------|-------|-------|------|------|------|-------|-------|-------|
|  |                            |      |                            | 5th        | 10th  | 15th  | 25th | 50th | 75th | 85th  | 90th  | 95th  |
| All race/ethnicity groups <sup>1</sup> |                            |      |                            |            |       |       |      |      |      |       |       |       |
| 20 years and over .....                | 7,943                      | 69.1 | 0.06                       | 64.4       | 65.5  | 66.1  | 67.2 | 69.1 | 71.0 | 72.1  | 73.0  | 74.0  |
| 20-29 years .....                      | 1,631                      | 69.3 | 0.11                       | 64.4       | 65.6  | 66.4  | 67.4 | 69.2 | 71.5 | 72.6  | 73.1  | 74.0  |
| 30-39 years .....                      | 1,481                      | 69.5 | 0.11                       | 64.9       | 66.0  | 66.6  | 67.6 | 69.5 | 71.5 | 72.6  | 73.6  | 74.4  |
| 40-49 years .....                      | 1,226                      | 69.4 | 0.12                       | 64.7       | 65.6  | 66.3  | 67.5 | 69.4 | 71.4 | 72.2  | 73.0  | 74.1  |
| 50-59 years .....                      | 855                        | 69.2 | 0.13                       | 64.7       | 65.7  | 66.4  | 67.4 | 69.3 | 71.0 | 71.9  | 72.5  | 73.5  |
| 60-69 years .....                      | 1,176                      | 68.5 | 0.12                       | 63.9       | 65.1  | 65.9  | 66.8 | 68.6 | 70.5 | 71.5  | 72.0  | 72.9  |
| 70-79 years .....                      | 875                        | 67.7 | 0.13                       | 63.5       | 64.3  | 64.8  | 65.8 | 67.7 | 69.5 | 70.5  | 71.1  | 72.2  |
| 80 years and over .....                | 699                        | 66.7 | 0.16                       | 62.0       | 63.1  | 63.9  | 64.8 | 66.7 | 68.6 | 69.6  | 70.4  | 71.1  |
| Non-Hispanic white                     |                            |      |                            |            |       |       |      |      |      |       |       |       |
| 20 years and over .....                | 3,286                      | 69.5 | 0.07                       | 65.1       | 66.1  | 66.6  | 67.6 | 69.4 | 71.4 | 72.3  | 73.1  | 74.1  |
| 20-29 years .....                      | 393                        | 69.9 | 0.13                       | 65.8       | 66.6  | 67.3  | 68.0 | 69.8 | 71.7 | 72.9  | 73.3  | 74.1  |
| 30-39 years .....                      | 454                        | 70.0 | 0.13                       | 66.0       | 66.7  | 67.2  | 68.1 | 69.8 | 71.7 | 73.1  | 73.9  | 74.5  |
| 40-49 years .....                      | 428                        | 69.8 | 0.13                       | 65.4       | 66.3  | 67.0  | 68.1 | 69.6 | 71.6 | 72.4  | 73.1  | 74.1  |
| 50-59 years .....                      | 418                        | 69.6 | 0.12                       | 65.6       | 66.4  | 67.0  | 67.8 | 69.6 | 71.1 | 72.1  | 72.6  | 73.8  |
| 60-69 years .....                      | 510                        | 68.9 | 0.11                       | 65.0       | 65.9  | 66.3  | 67.1 | 68.9 | 70.6 | 71.5  | 72.2  | 73.1  |
| 70-79 years .....                      | 524                        | 67.8 | 0.12                       | 63.7       | 64.4  | 64.9  | 65.9 | 67.8 | 69.6 | 70.6  | 71.1  | 72.2  |
| 80 years and over .....                | 559                        | 66.9 | 0.12                       | 62.4       | 63.3  | 64.1  | 65.0 | 66.8 | 68.6 | 69.8  | 70.5  | 71.1  |
| Non-Hispanic black                     |                            |      |                            |            |       |       |      |      |      |       |       |       |
| 20 years and over .....                | 2,113                      | 69.3 | 0.08                       | 64.8       | 65.8  | 66.4  | 67.5 | 69.4 | 71.2 | 72.3  | 73.1  | 74.1  |
| 20-29 years .....                      | 488                        | 69.7 | 0.14                       | 65.2       | 66.1  | 66.8  | 67.8 | 69.5 | 71.6 | 72.8  | 73.6  | 74.4  |
| 30-39 years .....                      | 497                        | 69.8 | 0.12                       | 65.3       | 66.4  | 67.1  | 68.1 | 69.6 | 71.4 | 72.4  | 73.3  | 74.4  |
| 40-49 years .....                      | 370                        | 69.6 | 0.16                       | 65.0       | 65.8  | 66.4  | 67.6 | 69.5 | 71.6 | 72.9  | 73.5  | 74.2  |
| 50-59 years .....                      | 217                        | 69.0 | 0.19                       | 64.8       | 66.1  | 66.3  | 67.2 | 69.1 | 70.7 | 72.0  | 72.4  | 73.0  |
| 60-69 years .....                      | 295                        | 68.3 | 0.17                       | 63.8       | 64.9  | 65.4  | 66.4 | 68.2 | 70.2 | 71.0  | 72.0  | 72.7  |
| 70-79 years .....                      | 187                        | 67.9 | 0.21                       | *63.9      | 64.5  | 64.8  | 66.0 | 68.0 | 70.1 | 70.7  | 71.5  | *72.3 |
| 80 years and over .....                | 59                         | 66.5 | 0.48                       | *61.1      | *62.1 | *64.2 | 65.1 | 67.1 | 68.6 | *69.1 | *69.4 | *70.0 |
| Mexican American                       |                            |      |                            |            |       |       |      |      |      |       |       |       |
| 20 years and over .....                | 2,258                      | 66.8 | 0.07                       | 62.6       | 63.5  | 64.2  | 65.1 | 66.7 | 68.5 | 69.5  | 70.2  | 71.3  |
| 20-29 years .....                      | 675                        | 66.8 | 0.12                       | 62.8       | 63.6  | 64.3  | 65.1 | 66.9 | 68.5 | 69.5  | 70.1  | 71.1  |
| 30-39 years .....                      | 474                        | 67.2 | 0.15                       | 62.8       | 63.7  | 64.3  | 65.6 | 67.1 | 68.9 | 70.0  | 70.6  | 71.9  |
| 40-49 years .....                      | 381                        | 66.8 | 0.15                       | 63.1       | 63.7  | 64.4  | 65.1 | 66.6 | 68.4 | 69.5  | 70.2  | 71.6  |
| 50-59 years .....                      | 178                        | 66.6 | 0.21                       | *63.0      | 63.7  | 64.1  | 65.0 | 66.7 | 68.1 | 69.0  | 69.8  | *70.6 |
| 60-69 years .....                      | 338                        | 66.3 | 0.15                       | 62.1       | 63.2  | 63.8  | 64.6 | 66.3 | 68.1 | 69.0  | 69.4  | 70.1  |
| 70-79 years .....                      | 149                        | 65.2 | 0.22                       | *61.1      | 62.4  | 63.0  | 63.9 | 65.0 | 66.6 | 67.9  | 68.2  | *69.5 |
| 80 years and over .....                | 63                         | 64.0 | 0.36                       | *60.2      | *60.6 | *61.3 | 62.1 | 64.2 | 65.3 | *66.0 | *67.1 | *67.9 |

\* Figure does not meet standard of reliability or precision.

<sup>1</sup> Includes all other race/ethnic groups not listed separately.